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AS I DISCUSSED VERY BRIEFLY DURING MY RECENT VISIT TO YOUR ACTIVITY, WE HAVE HAD IN THE PAST A MULTIPLE OF REQUESTS FROM HQ CINCPAC AND CINCPAC ELEMENTS FOR IDEALIST BELLETS. IN EVERY ONE OF THESE INSTANCES WE HAVE DENIED THE BELLETS ON THE BASIS THAT THOSE SPECIFIC ELEMENTS AND INDIVIDUALS IN THESE ORGANIZATIONS WHO SUPPORT YOUR OPERATION OR HAVE A BONAFAIDE NEED-TO-KNOW HAVE BEEN BELLETED OR ACCESSED AS APPROPRIATE TO IDEALIST INFORMATION, AND THAT THESE PROLIFERATE ADDITIONAL REQUESTS WERE CLEARLY UNJUSTIFIABLE. IN MY DISCUSSION WITH YOU, IT WAS VERY CLEAR THAT THIS IS THE CASE AND THAT YOU ARE NOT LACKING IN THE SUPPORT WHICH YOU REQUIRE FROM ANY OF THESE ELEMENTS AND THAT YOU HAVE LONG SINCE ACCESSED THOSE WHOSE SUPPORT YOU DO REQUIRE AND THOSE WHO

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MUST KNOW, FOR OTHER REASONS, OF YOUR ACTIVITY.

WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY HELD THIS LINE IN ALL INSTANCES BUT ONE ON WHICH WE ARE PRESSURED AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH. THIS PARTICULAR REQUEST IS FOR A BILLETED IDEALIST POSITION FOR THE RECONNAISSANCE/REQUIREMENTS OFFICER, 7TH FLEET. THE INCUMBENT TO THIS POSITION IS A LT CDR FRANCIS B. CARDEN, JR. THE JUSTIFICATION WE ARE PROVIDED IN EACH REQUEST FOR THIS PARTICULAR BILLET GOES LIKE THIS, QUOTE: "THE RECONNAISSANCE/REQUIREMENTS OFFICER, 7TH FLEET HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO MANAGE OR BE AWARE OF 7TH FLEET PARTICIPATION IN THE IDEALIST PROGRAM." EZDSQUOTE.

FIRST OFF, I DON'T UNDERSTAND 7TH FLEET PARTICIPATION IN YOUR OPERATION. SECONDLY, I REALLY CANNOT BELIEVE THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL MANAGES ANY 7TH FLEET PARTICIPATION IN YOUR OPERATION. I REALIZE, CY, THAT THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE APPEARS TO BE MORE TROUBLE THAN WORTH; HOWEVER, IT'S THE PRINCIPLE THAT BOTHERS ME. YOU ARE CONDUCTING A COVERT, SENSITIVE PROGRAM OF NATIONAL INTEREST AND THE UNWARRANTED INVOLVEMENT OF EVEN ONE ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUAL IS OF CONCERN TO US.

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I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE ON THE NECESSITY OF THIS PARTICULAR BILLET. IF YOU TELL ME THIS INDIVIDUAL HAS NO ROLE, HE WILL BE DENIED. IF YOU TELL ME YOU NEED HIS ASSISTANCE, I'LL BILLET HIM IMMEDIATELY.

MY THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR EFFORTS AND CONSIDERATION DURING MY VISIT.

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